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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT**

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Examiner Name M.A. Moran

Title: *Glycosyl sulfotransferase-3*

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 16, 2003. The Restriction Requirement set forth a one-month time period for response, making a response due on or before August 16, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

I. REMARKS

In the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner required election of one of the following groups of claims:

Group I: Claims 16-17 and 30-32, drawn to methods of inhibiting selectin binding;

Group II: Claims 18-20, 22-24 and 33-41, drawn to a method of modulating a symptom in a mammalian host.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group I (claims 16, 17, and 30-32), with traverse. Applicants expressly reserve the right under 35 USC §121 to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected subject matter during the pendency of this application.

This election is made with traverse. As stated in the MPEP §803, if search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions. It is Applicants' position that it would not be unduly burdensome to perform a search on claims 16-20, 22-24, and 30-41 together. Accordingly, Applicants traverse the restriction requirement.

Species election

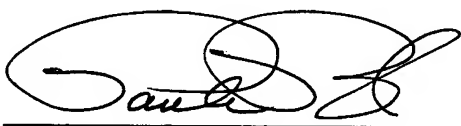
The Office Action stated that, if Group II is elected, Applicant is required to elect one disease recited in claims 24 and 36-41. As Group II was not elected, this species election requirement is moot.

II. CONCLUSION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number UCAL107DIV.

Respectfully submitted,
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